

A CONFESSION
INTRODUCEDIn Trial of Bertram G. Spencer,
For Murder To-day

IT TOLD OF THE SHOOTING

Statement Read by Captain Boyle of the
Springfield Police Told of Spencer's
Belief That He Was Surrounded and
Had to Shoot His Way Out.

Springfield, Nov. 15.—With the expectation of hearing the alleged confession of Bertram G. Spencer that he murdered Martha B. Blackstone, an immense crowd was at court to-day, where Spencer is being tried for his life. It is expected that the state will conclude its direct testimony to-day. Then the opening address for the defense will be made, with a sketch of the life of Spencer to show that he was insane at the time of the murder.

The alleged confession was read by Capt. Boyle of the Springfield police department. It told of Spencer going to the Dow home, his entry through an unlocked window and the shooting of the woman when he believed he was surrounded on all sides and thought that the only way to get out was to shoot his way. In the alleged confession Spencer said he was struck on the head by his father when a boy and since that time had a tendency for stealing.

At yesterday's session the prisoner was completely unresponsive while District Attorney C. T. Callahan was describing the shooting of the school teacher on the night of March 31, 1910, at the home of Mrs. Sarah J. Dow, the accused man broke down and wept, and exclaimed "No! Oh, my God, No!" "No, I never said that." It seemed impossible for Spencer to keep still. His legs trembled continuously and he covered his eyes with his hands.

What was apparently the first effort on the part of the defense to show that Spencer was insane at the time of the tragedy, was made late in the day. Mrs. Sarah J. Dow was cross examined by Attorney Stapleton, chief counsel for the accused man. Mr. Stapleton inquired particularly if the eyes of the man who entered her residence looked wild.

"You might call it so, I suppose," the witness replied. Later Miss Lucy Dow, a daughter of Mrs. Dow, was asked whether the robber had not overlooked articles of value, taking property of less consequence. Miss Dow replied in the affirmative.

The stories of the tragedy told by Mrs. Dow and her daughters, Miss Lucy J. Dow and Miss Harriet Dow, were practically the same. None of the women could identify the accused man as the person who entered their home and killed Miss Blackstone, saying that the lower part of the murderer's face was covered by a handkerchief. They did, however, identify a beaded belt and a pearl brooch, said to have been found in the possession of Spencer at the time of his arrest, as their property.

In reviewing the events of the night of the shooting the witnesses testified that Miss Blackstone visited the Dow home in the afternoon and remained after supper. The four women were in the back parlor about eight o'clock when a noise was heard, and a man wearing a slouch hat, and with the lower part of his face covered with a black handkerchief, appeared in the doorway.

The women gathered in the center of the room. Then Miss Lucy Dow moved towards a telephone to call for assistance, and as she took down the receiver the man leveled his revolver and shouted "Give me your money." That was the first time he had spoken.

Miss Blackstone at this point, rushed towards the door to leave the room, and the intruder shot her through the heart. Miss Harriet Dow began moving a chair towards the man who said "If you want to die, you will die then."

Then he fired at the young woman, inflicting a scalp wound that proved not to be serious. He then opened an outside door and disappeared.

BEATTIE'S LAST CHANCE GONE.

Gov. Mann Refuses to Save Life of Wife
Murderer.

Richmond, Va., Nov. 15.—Governor Mann to-day declined to interfere in the case of Henry Clay Beattie, jr., and the young wife murderer's last hope of escaping the electric chair Nov. 24 has been swept away.

REPUBLIC OF SHANTUNG.

Number of Foreign Warships in Chinese
Waters Is 112.

Washington, Nov. 15.—Another independent republic was set up in China, according to American Consul Fowler at Chefoo, who reported yesterday to the state department that the former governor of the province of Shantung, Sun Hao Chi, had been selected as head of the republic of Shantung, which yielded to the revolutionists without a struggle.

On twenty-four hours' notice, Captain Knapp, the naval hydrographer, yesterday produced an excellent map of China, showing the location of the American and foreign warships at the different ports. There are altogether 12 foreign vessels of various types in Chinese waters. England stands first with 31 vessels of various types. Numerically, France comes next with 20 vessels, but as these include a large number of extremely small craft, the French tonnage is not nearly so formidable as the American naval representation of 19 vessels. Germany has 14 ships, Japan 13, Russia 11, Portugal two, and Austria and Italy one each.

No Trace of Lost Aeronaut.

Paris, Nov. 15.—Nothing developed to-day to throw greater light on the disappearance of Edgar W. Mix, the American consulting engineer and aeronaut, who is supposed to have committed suicide by dropping overboard from a mail boat during its passage from Dover to Calais Sunday night.

STREET STRIKERS LOSING
IN NEW YORK FIGHTBut There Is Still Danger of a General
Teamsters' Strike—Collection of
Refuse Went on Almost Nor-
mally To-day.

New York, Nov. 15.—No doubt remains that the city has won its fight with the municipal ash and garbage men. The collection of refuse, abandoned when the drivers of the street department struck a week ago, progressed almost normally to-day. Danger of a general teamsters' strike still remains, but, judging from the action of the union, it is remote.

W. H. Ashton, general organizer of the teamsters and in charge of the strike, evoked the assistance of the aldermen yesterday and urged that they go over the mayor's head with an order abolishing night work. This they refused to attempt to do, but appointed a committee to call on the mayor with a request to take the strikers back. Mayor Gaynor remained firm in his stand not to do this. The strikers' places have been more than filled, he said, with men on the civil service lists and the latter could not be discharged without warrant. The strikers, on the other hand, were accused of disobedience, and would have to stand trial. Commissioner Edwards sent out letters last night ordering their appearance on Monday for such trial under the civil service rules.

Four hundred delegates from the various teamsters' and drivers' unions in New York passed resolutions last night appointing the presidents of the respective organizations a committee with full power to act on the question of supporting the strikers. The resolution provided for the calling of mass meetings at the earliest opportunity and also for an assessment of \$1 each of the members of the different organizations to aid the strikers.

THE LORIMER BRIBE.

Beckmeyer and the Policeman Who Got
Him Intoxicated.

Chicago, Nov. 15.—Questions as to whether H. J. C. Beckmeyer, a former state representative, who confessed to having accepted a bribe for his vote to elect William Lorimer as United States senator had not been induced to confess by threats were asked by Eldridge Haney, counsel for Mr. Lorimer before the national senatorial investigating committee yesterday.

Patrick J. Keeley, a policeman, who was detailed in charge of witnesses during the trial of Lee O'Neil Browne on a charge of bribery, testified that he escorted witnesses about Chicago, and that it was his understanding that he "was to get them drunk so they could talk freely."

On such an occasion, he declared, Beckmeyer had said he never received money for voting for Lorimer. He testified he got Beckmeyer in such a condition that he later did not remember what he had said before the grand jury which investigated the Browne charges.

RAISE FOR TELEGRAPHERS.

New Wage Scale on New York Central
Lines Effective To-day.

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., Nov. 15.—According to a circular letter received here yesterday by members of the Order of Railroad Telegraphers, all the telegraph operators, towermen and agents on the New York Central lines have been granted an increase in wages of from 10 to 15 per cent. The new wage scale is to go into effect this morning. All towers on the company's lines have been "graded" and the minimum increase in wages will be 10 per cent. Over six thousand men, it was said by the local officers yesterday, would share in the increase.

The word was sent out by G. M. Currie, chairman of the Hudson river division chapter of the order, and it followed a conference with the New York Central officials which has been pending in New York City for the past two weeks. The company's decision, it was stated, was made Monday.

MAY ASK CHANGE OF VENUE.

This May Be the Next Move in the Lin-
nell Murder Case.

Boston, Nov. 15.—Believing that the public feeling in Suffolk county is such that an unprejudiced jury cannot be secured, a motion for a change of venue will probably be asked by counsel for the Rev. Clarence V. T. Richeson, who is to be tried on Jan. 15 on the charge of murder in connection with the death of Avis W. Linnell. In the recent history of criminal law in Massachusetts changes of venue have been frowned upon by the courts in murder cases.

QUARTER MILLION FIRE LOSS.

Detroit Firemen Were Greatly Hampered
By Blizzard.

Detroit, Mich., Nov. 15.—Fire which caused \$250,000 loss and which for a time threatened a portion of Detroit's business district, broke out on the fourth floor of the Fisher, Garton & Willis millinery Co. building last night. A blizzard hampered the firemen. After two hours' fight they succeeded in saving adjoining costly buildings and controlling the blaze.

REVOLUTIONISTS GAINING.

Ask Foreign Consuls to Remain Neutral
—Will Protect Property.

Amoy, China, Nov. 15.—The city remained quiet to-day. The revolutionists request the neutrality of foreign consuls, insuring the latter that their nations and property will be protected. Hai Cheng has gone over to the revolutionists and the revolutionary element is in control of Tusan-Chow, the local officials having fled. Chang Chow reports fighting there.

GERMAN AVIATOR KILLED.

Herr Pletschler Gave Good Exhibition
at September Aviation Meet.

Berlin, Nov. 15.—Herr Pletschler, an aviator, fell while making a flight to-day and was killed. He made good exhibitions in the Berlin aviation meeting in September.

FIGHTING
SMALLPOXSeveral Cases Have Developed
in Southern Caledonia County

CABOT BECOMING ALARMED

On Advice of Dr. Holton of State Board
of Health, No Public Gatherings Will
Be Allowed for a Week—Meas-
ures Taken in Hardwick.

Cabot, Nov. 15.—Health Officer L. C. Lance was in Hardwick yesterday to confer with Dr. H. D. Holton, secretary of the state board of health, concerning means to prevent the spread of smallpox to this town. At the suggestion of Dr. Holton it is advised that there be no public gatherings for at least one week from November 15, also that those who were at the entertainment on November 3 remain at home until the danger is past.

Fear Smallpox at Hardwick.

Hardwick, Nov. 15.—On account of the fear of an epidemic of smallpox, the health officers have ordered the schools, churches and all public buildings to be closed. This will be in effect for the next two weeks. There are several cases at East Hardwick.

LAWYER'S MISTAKE
HELPS NEW HAMPSHIREFailing to Take Appeal in the Required
Time, Inheritance Tax on Mary
Baker Eddy's Estate Goes
to the Granite State.

Boston, Nov. 15.—Through the failure of Attorney General Swift to take an appeal in the required time, the state of New Hampshire will have the full benefit of the inheritance tax on the estate of the late Mrs. Mary Baker Eddy, founder of Christian Science. The attorney-general, however, will press the contention that Mrs. Eddy has no right under the statute of Massachusetts to sue property giving an income of more than \$2,000 to the directors of the Christian Science church, which question will probably be argued in the supreme court of Massachusetts within a few weeks.

UNTYING LABOR TANGLE.

Arbitration Board Investigating the Lynn
Trouble.

Lynn, Mass., Nov. 15.—The inability of Stephen M. Walsh, master workman of the Knights of Labor, cutters' assembly, to appear because of a court summons, caused a postponement of the state board of arbitration's investigation into the recent lockout of shoe cutters in this city, which was scheduled for yesterday.

Late in the day the board notified Mr. Walsh and James W. Hittings, the manufacturers' representative, that the case would be opened on Thursday morning and requesting their presence. The board is to decide on the matter of an eight-hour workday, which is sought by the cutters and opposed by the manufacturers.

Master Workman Walsh testified in the equity session of the superior court at Boston in the case of Alfred S. Eliot, a Boot and Shoe Workers' union cutter, the rival organization to the Knights of Labor, who sought an injunction against A. P. Smith & Co., shoe manufacturers, and the Knights of Labor, cutters' assembly, to restrain them from preventing him from securing employment.

After Mayor Conery had arranged terms upon which the locked-out cutters were allowed to resume work, it was found that Eliot had secured employment at the Smith factory. One by one the Knights of Labor cutters left their benches in the Smith factory, and as a result it was necessary a few days ago to close down the cutting room.

After a short hearing yesterday, Judge Jenney, before whom the case was called, referred it to Theodore H. Tindell as master.

TAFT IS CONDEMNED
BY IDAHO'S GOVERNORGov. James Hawley Issued Signed State-
ment To-day Regarding Executive
Pardon of Clarence Rob-
nett.

Boise, Idaho, Nov. 15.—Governor James Hawley to-day issued a signed statement to the people of Idaho, in which he condemns the action of President Taft in granting a pardon to Clarence Robnett, a bookkeeper in the Lewiston National bank at Lewiston, Idaho. Robnett was convicted of embezzling the funds of the bank and was sentenced to ten years imprisonment. He never entered upon service of the sentence.

PLAYED WITHOUT ERROR.

Chief Bender of Philadelphia Closed Season
With Remarkable Record.

Chicago, Nov. 15.—Fielding honors among the pitchers of the American league, went to Chief Bender of Philadelphia, according to the official averages for 1911 announced last night by President Johnson. The Philadelphia pitcher played 31 games without an error, finishing with a percentage of 1.000. Renben Oldring of Philadelphia leads the outfielders with a percentage of .979. Stoval of Cleveland is the real leader among the first basemen, though Zeider of Chicago tops the list. Stoval's percentage is .986.

Sullivan of Chicago is leader of the
catchers, while McConnell of the same
team leads the list for second base-
men.

When you want something a little different, try Miers' sanitary barber shop. James Daniels is very ill with bronchitis and under the care of Dr. McFarland.

MAY BE NO ATTACK

It Is Possible Miss Meehan Was Victim
of Hallucination.

Rutland, Nov. 15.—As day after day goes by and not the slightest trace of the man whom Miss Nellie Meehan of Starksboro, a school teacher at Sudbury, says assaulted her at a schoolhouse in the latter town November 4, is found, people living in the vicinity and even some of the officers who have been considering the case, are beginning to believe that there may never have been any assault committed. The idea is rapidly gaining ground that the whole thing may have been an hallucination of the young woman. She is of a nervous temperament, about the type of woman known as a neurasthenic, and there are circumstances involving her family history, which tend to show that the solution of the mystery which is now being suggested, is worth looking into.

The fact that the alleged assault was committed in the morning when a number of people were in the vicinity, yet the woman's supposed assailant totally disappeared from the face of the earth from the time he should have left the little schoolhouse, lent mystery to the affair at the very first, but not until within a day or two has much thought been given the idea that no assault took place.

Almost the entire sheriff department of Rutland county have been at work on the case and considerable expert evidence bearing on it has also been secured. The search has not yet been abandoned, but those who were among the first on the ground say that the condition of the woman's clothing, and surroundings at the schoolhouse, together with what is known of some of her ancestors fully bear out the hallucination idea.

METHODISTS IN DISCUSSION

And Congressman Plumley Contributed
an Address to Montpelier District.

Brattleboro, Nov. 15.—The fall meeting of the Montpelier district association of the Methodist church, which opened in the Methodist Episcopal church Monday evening, closed last evening with an address by Congressman Frank Plumley of Northfield.

The morning session was devoted to a debate regarding the advisability of turning the money and energy, now expended by the Montpelier district in maintaining the union camp at Claremont, N. H., into sustaining a series of tent meetings in the more neglected portions of the district, or in some other form of evangelistic effort where more needed. Those speaking in the affirmative were Joseph Hamilton of Randolph, A. B. Johnson of Union Village, O. E. Newton of Williamsville and H. P. Sweet of Bellows Falls. The speakers on the negative side were J. Wesley Miller of Bethel, W. F. Bill of Hartland, H. C. Hoyt of Weston and L. F. Holway of Perkinsville.

Papers were read by H. E. Howard of Barnard and the Rev. F. A. Wells of Brattleboro on "Why is the Membership of Methodism in General and Vermont Methodism in Particular So Nearly Stationary?" The afternoon session was given up to papers by Francis T. Clark of Woodstock, Preston A. Smith of Bradford, A. J. Hough of Proctorsville, A. H. Webb of Northfield, W. R. Davenport of Bellows Falls, S. H. Smith of White River Junction and Mr. Butler of Springfield.

FATALLY BURNED.

Mrs. Anna Woods Was the Victim in
Nashua, N. H.

Nashua, N. H., Nov. 15.—Mrs. Anna Woods, aged about 45, was fatally burned last evening at her lodgings, at the corner of West Hollis and Elm streets. Fire is thought to have communicated to the bed clothes from a stove near the bed, as an alarm of the stove was off when the firemen reached the room.

Mrs. Woods ran out into the hall crying for help. George Barton, employed in a barber shop on the street door, was the first to come to the assistance of the woman. He, with George Terzis and Fred Bourassa, assisted her to the tenement of Louis Landry. An alarm of fire had been rung in and an ambulance called. Firemen bore Mrs. Woods to the ambulance, and she was conveyed to the Nashua hospital.

The building, which is owned by George and Nellie Winn, was only slightly damaged.

Mrs. Woods had just returned from a hotel at Bethlehem, N. H., where she had been employed through the season.

WOMAN WAS BURNED.

Her Children Also Got Some Injuries in
Flames.

Winoski, Nov. 15.—Mrs. Aldei Audette is confined to her bed as a result of severe injuries received at 1:30 yesterday morning, when a lamp exploded. One of the children heard the explosion and called his mother, who immediately got up and in endeavoring to put out the fire had both hands and her right leg severely burned. One of the boys had his left hand badly burned and the younger members of the family cut their feet on the broken glass on the floor. Mrs. Audette was resting comfortably last evening.

SLICING UP TRUST DELAYED.

By Action of Independent Tobacco Deal-
ers in Court To-day.

New York, Nov. 15.—The filing to-day by the independent tobacco dealers of a petition to intervene in the government dissolution suit against the tobacco trust makes certain an appeal from the plan to unite and may delay the disintegration of the trust, in the opinion of counsel in the case. The independents base their pleas to intervene on the grounds that the decision will not, in substance, be given to the requirements of the opinion and decree made in the case by the United States supreme court.

INTERSTATE COMMERCE HEARINGS

Senate Committee Will Investigate Sub-
ject Thoroughly.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 15.—The Senate committee on interstate commerce to-day entered upon a series of hearings which are expected to have an important bearing on future legislation relating to "big business" and commerce between states. The committee has been authorized to enter upon the broadest scope of inquiry concerning the entire subject of interstate commerce.

RIFLE CRACK
AT DAYLIGHTAnnounced the Opening of Ver-
mont's Deer Season For 1911

CONDITIONS ARE FAVORABLE

The Open Season Will Continue Through
November 25, with Sunday Except-
ed—Deer Reported Plenty in
Southern Vermont.

At 5 o'clock this morning, the law permitted the killing of deer having horns not less than three inches in length, and the open season will continue through a period of ten days, up to and including November 25, with Sunday excepted. Each hunter, who must be licensed to hunt, is permitted but a single deer. The Vermont law was amended recently so as to prohibit the killing of does. Moreover, hunting is restricted to the period between 5 o'clock in the morning and 5 o'clock in the evening.

The conditions for hunting were considered good in the northern part of the state, where considerable snow has fallen during the last few days. It is reported from Brattleboro and southern parts of the state that deer are quite plenty this year and that a big killing is expected consequently.

726 Hunters' Licenses in Barre.

At noon to-day, City Clerk James Mackay had issued a total of 721 resident licenses and five of the permits to hunt to non-residents. This number is slightly lower than the figures last year, but many licenses will doubtless be issued during the deer season. Last year the local office sent out more hunters' licenses than in any other town or city in Vermont.

Several successful hunters were reported early this forenoon. Fred Speely shot a 225 pound buck on the Gale place on the road from Montpelier to Middlesex. Paul Butler got a 215 pounder on the same farm. Dan Clifley of Berlin went out on his farm and brought down 290 pounds of deer. A. T. Moulton landed a buck on the Welch place between Montpelier and Middlesex.

From Calais comes a story of the shooting of a buck and a doe by John Van Orman, the doe being shot by accident. The two animals were near together and Mr. Van Orman aimed at the buck, failing to bring him down at the first shot and continuing the shooting as the buck ran. He fired five times in all, and the doe ran in range of the rifle and got a death wound. After seeing what he had done, Mr. Van Orman promptly notified Game Warden F. L. Warren, who came and took charge of the doe's carcass and made an investigation of the situation.

DEAD DOE IN WAGON
CAUSED HIS ARRESTDr. D. R. Brown, Prominent Resident
of Lyndonville, Placed Under Ar-
rest Late Yesterday
Afternoon.

St. Johnsbury, Nov. 15.—Dr. D. R. Brown, a prominent physician of Lyndonville, was late yesterday afternoon arrested by Game Warden William Peck, who was appointed yesterday by State Fish and Game Commissioner Titcomb. Dr. Brown was found by Mr. Peck on his way home with the body of a young doe in his wagon. The carcass was seized by the warden. The physician was allowed to go on his own recognizance until the time set for his hearing.

FLED WITHOUT CARCASS.

Man Shoe Doe in Georgia But Got Scarred
Away.

Burlington, Nov. 15.—Deputy Game Warden J. E. Reeves has returned from Georgia, where he has been investigating a case of the illegal shooting of a doe. The shot was taken by a stranger and a spectator notified Mr. Reeves. As soon as he saw that he was discovered, the man ran through the woods and escaped without recovering the carcass, which was given to the deputy game warden to be sold and the proceeds turned over to the state.

Deer Plenty Near Brattleboro.

Brattleboro, Nov. 15.—The crack of rifles to-day gave indication of the opening of the deer season in Vermont. It is reported that deer are plenty this year.

FIRST HUNTING TRIP

PROVED HIS LAST

Westerly, R. I., Man Pulled Gun, Muzzle
Toward Him, and Received Charge
Under His Left Arm.

Westerly, R. I., Nov. 15.—James Costanzo, a millhand, went gunning for the first time in his life yesterday and came home with thirteen gunshot wounds in his chest, from which he died last night. Costanzo left here in company with Louis Salemano, and a short distance out of the village they separated. Costanzo was making his way through the underbrush when the stock of his gun got caught. Taking it by the barrel, he sought to release it and as he did a twig pulled the trigger and it was discharged. The shot struck him under the left arm, tearing away the muscles of the arm, and his breast and lung were pierced in thirteen places. Costanzo was 23 years old and single.

Members of R. R. Randall post are invited to attend a campfire held by J. G. Abbott camp, Sons of Veterans, at J. A. R. hall Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock. E. L. Smith.

GYMNASIUM FOR BARRE.

Proposal to Be Discussed at Public Meet-
ing Next Tuesday Evening.

The proposal to have a gymnasium in Barre, to be under municipal control and to promote the interests of single interests, will be discussed at a meeting which will be held in the parlors of the Universalist church next Tuesday evening, Nov. 21, beginning at 7:30 o'clock. Representatives from all the churches of the city and from various other circles will be invited to attend and participate in the meeting. Those who have been asked to speak are Rev. E. C. Downey, S. Holister Jackson and M. M. Gordon; and it is expected that there will be a general discussion in an informal way.

At this time estimates will be presented as to the probable cost of a gymnasium, either for a new structure or for a remodeled building. It is proposed to have a gymnasium of moderate size, with a stage, so that the hall could be utilized for public gatherings if desired and with the stage to be used by spectators at athletic contests. In addition, it is proposed to have shower baths in connection with the gymnasium and also a reading room, where the people attending could reach some of the best current literature. If the project goes through, it is likely that the gymnasium will be directed by a board of managers, who will represent no faction, creed or interest.

TWO LODGES ATTENDED

Funeral of Mrs. Thomas Shirriffs at Her
Late Home Yesterday.

The funeral of Mrs. Thomas Shirriffs, whose death occurred Saturday evening at her home on Madison street after an illness of three weeks, was held at the home yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. J. W. Barnett, pastor of the Congregational church, officiating. The bearers were Douglas C. Roben of this city and George Roben of South Ryegate, brothers of the deceased, Robert Inglis, William Emery, John McClellan and William Reid, all of Barre, of the city.

Delegations from the Ladies' Auxiliary to Clan Gordon, to the number of fifteen, and twenty-five members of the Peabodias circle of the Red Men, to both of which societies Mrs. Shirriffs belonged, attended the funeral. Among the beautiful floral pieces contributed were tributes from the two fraternal orders.

The burial took place in the family lot at Elmwood cemetery.

Among those attending from out of the city were the following: Mr. and Mrs. George Roben of South Ryegate, Mrs. J. F. Williams of Rochester, N. Y.; Miss Nellie J. Roben of Omaha, Neb. A number of friends from Montpelier were also present.

WAS CHASING GIRL

When Latter's Brother Appeared and
Then a Policeman.

Burlington, Nov. 15.—George Duly, a young man about 23 years of age, who gave his residence as Shelburne, was arrested last evening by Officer O'Brien after a long run, for chasing and frightening a young woman. He was given a cell in jail last night and the police think they have caught the man who has been complained of in numerous localities for similar actions.

Last evening the man was standing in the shadow of Elmwood avenue and Allen street, when a young girl came along and he frightened her severely. She ran toward her home, but Duly followed and was nearly up to her when her cries were heard by her brother, who was in the house nearby, and who ran out to her assistance.

As soon as Duly saw the newcomer on the scene, he turned and fled in the opposite direction and was keeping his distance from the other man, when Officer O'Brien, attracted by the commotion, gave him sight with the result that the man is now in jail. At the police station Duly admitted what was charged against him last evening, but denied that he was the author of the outrages which have been committed in the past few weeks. He did not appear over bright and could give no reason for his action.

He has been employed at the Van Ness house for the past few weeks as a freeman.

JURY CASES ENDED.

Petit Jurors in Rutland County Court
Were Discharged.

Rutland, Nov. 15.—The petit jurors were discharged by Judge W. W. Miles in Rutland county court yesterday after serving 64 days and trying 14 cases. Fewer jurors than usual have been excused during the fall and of the 31 men originally summoned 23 received pay for the full term. There were eight civil and six criminal cases tried. Five verdicts for plaintiffs were awarded in civil cases, there were two disbursements and one verdict for the defendant was directed. In the criminal trials there were five convictions and one acquittal. The total amount of damages awarded in the civil cases was \$5,077.38.

CHOKED TO DEATH BY MEAT.

S. J. Cannon Died in a Springfield, Mass.,
Restaurant.

Springfield, Mass., Nov. 15.—S. J. Cannon, a Cleveland, O., salesman, choked to death on a piece of roast beef while eating in a local hotel here yesterday. There were few in the room at the time and when a waiter saw him leaning over the table he thought the man was dosing. A touch on the shoulder failed to arouse Cannon, an investigation was started and a physician summoned.

The doctor arrived too late to save the man's life. Cannon had been here several days, demonstrating. He was about 32 years of age and is understood to have a widow and one child in Cleveland.

TALK OF THE TOWN

Mrs. A. W. Eastman is passing a few
days with friends in Northfield.

Alex. Corey returned home this noon, after passing a few days in Waterbury. There will be a joint meeting of the A. O. H. Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Charles Spencer went to-day to Waterbury, where he will be employed by Truett Bros.

Misses Millie Markie and Eveline Coffin of Waterbury are visitors for a few days of Mrs. Fred Bolles.

WILL GO SLOW
ON PAYMENTFor the Granite Paving Jobs Just
Completed in Barre

THE CITY HAS \$50,000 IN BILLS

Contractors, O'Connell & Sons, Are Said
to Owe Municipality Quite a Bill for
Crushed Stone, So City Holds
Their Certified Check.

Demands by Daniel O'Connell & Sons of Fitchburg, Mass., for the return of their certified check of \$1,000 given to assure satisfactory completion of their granite paving contract with the city this year brought out the information that the aldermen's meeting last night that the city has an unpaid bill of \$557 for crushed granite against the contractors; also that they are a few minor bills outstanding against O'Connell & Sons, that there is an attachment of \$50 on the final warrant of \$2,026.78 and that there has been no formal acceptance of the contract. The aldermen, therefore, were inclined to hold both the certified check and the final warrant.

In bringing the matter before the full board, Clerk Mackay said that in response to requests for the certified check on the completion of the North Main street pavement and before the city square job was done he had told the contractors' representative, Mr. Fitzgerald, that when the work was accepted the check would be returned. Since the completion of the city square job, there has been some correspondence between the contractors and City Engineer Reed about the matter;